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SUBJECT: CHINA POST ARTICLE ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS CAPACILITY

1. "CHINA POST", TAIPEI ENGLISH LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER, JULY 30 EDITION, CARRIED ARTICLE HEADLINED "TSINGHUA (UNIVERSITY) IS ABLE TO MAKE NUCLEAR WEAPONS", ARTICLE BASED ON REMARKS MADE BY WANG YUN-WU, CHAIRMAN, CHIA-HSIN CULTURAL FOUNDATION, FOLLOWING AWARDS MADE TO TSINGHUA FOR WORK ON ELECTRIC CAR DEVELOPMENT. TELCON BETWEEN EMBOFF AND DR. HSU HSIEN-HSIN (AKA S.S. SHU), ELICITED VIGOROUS REITERATION OF STATED ROC POLICY OF ONLY PEACEFUL APPLICATIONS OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY. HE ATTRIBUTED ARTICLE TO MISUNDERSTANDING BY REPORTER OF HALF-JOKING REMARKS MADE BY WANG INTENDED TO COMPLIMENT TECHNICAL COMPETENCE OF TSINGHUA STAFF. DR. HSU FOLLOWED UP WITH LETTER TO EDITOR "CHINA POST" ESSENTIALLY REITERATING WHAT WAS SAID IN TELCON.

2. COPIES OF ARTICLE, MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION, AND LETTER BEING FORWARDED BY POUCH.

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